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Commissioners Meeting THURSDAY, October 29, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.

Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall

6812 Brown Street Oconomowoc, WI 53066

"The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac La Belle for today and tomorrow."

Minutes

1. Call to Order

D. Bauer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present

Dan Bauer

Karen Carr

Lou Morgan

Terry Largent

Karen Trepton

Dave Zimmermann

<u>Absent</u>

Ryan Myhre

3. Comments from the Floor

There were no citizens present wishing to speak.

4. Correspondence

Emails

Various emails from Kathy Buss, City of Oconomowoc regarding Lake Level Reports (7/23, 8/3, 8/13, 8/28, 9/4, 9/17 and 10/15)

July 20, 2015 – Lisa Conley re: Partnership Needs

July 20, 2015 – Bob Wakeman re: Invitation to Discuss Starry Stonewort

July 25, 2015 – Lisa Conley re: August Invasive Species Workshop

August 5, 2015 – Lisa Conley re: Sustainable Strategies Webcast: August 20th Healthy Lakes Initiative Grant Program

September 24, 2015 – Michael Engleson re: District Commissioners

September 28, 2015 – Peter Carpenter re: LLBMD Website Invoices

September 29, 2015 – Wisconsin Lakes Policy Report re: Action Alert: Shoreland Zoning

September 29, 2015 – Tom Steinbach re: Adaptive Management Plan Approval

October 2, 2015 – Accurate Business Communications, Inc. re: Our Invoices

October 2, 2015 – Wisconsin Lakes Policy Report re: Action Alert: Groundwater Bill Public Hearing

October 9, 2015 – Michael Engleson re: District Commissioners

October 29, 2015 – Wisconsin Lakes re: Donation Request

- 5. <u>Approval of July 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes & August 27, 2015 Organizational Meeting Minutes</u>
 - D. Zimmermann moved to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2015 LLBMD Commissioners meeting as presented. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
 - D. Zimmermann moved to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2015 Organizational Meeting as presented. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- 6. Review 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes

Commissioners reviewed the 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes without comment. Approval would take place at the 2016 Annual Meeting.

7. Treasurer's Report

The September and October, 2015 Treasurer's Report were distributed to Commissioners. With regard to the Shoreland Restoration Program payments, K. Carr noted the Funke reimbursement would be \$2,000.00 based on project size. The Wallace project would be finished later in the week and the Parkin's project would be discussed under Item #9 on the agenda. There were no further questions regarding the Treasurer's Report.

T. Largent moved to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented. K. Trepton seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

- a. 2015 Annual Audit Report No report given.
- b. Account Transfer to Ixonia Bank- No report given.

8. Payment Authorizations

K. Carr moved to approve the Payment Authorizations, including payments to Accurate Business Communications, Inc., and \$2,000.00 as reimbursement to the Funke's for the Shoreland Restoration project as presented. K. Trepton seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

9. Update on 2014 & 2015 Shoreland Restoration Programs

K. Carr explained the three projects included in the 2014 and 2015 Shoreland Restoration program. The Funke's project from 2014 was complete and their reimbursement would total \$2,000.00. The Parkin's project would be completed in 2016 due to issues with herbicide on the site. The Wallace's project was slated for completion later this week. Discussion ensued regarding annual invoices received from Lisa Reas, consultant for Shoreland Restoration. K. Carr noted the cost of the projects were included in the budget; however, consulting fees were often left out. Adequate monies remained available in the budget for fee payment this year. Next year, consideration should be given to consulting fees and the number of anticipated projects when considering the amount for the budget. K. Carr requested returning to Item #8 on the agenda at this time

K. Carr moved to amend the Payment Authorizations, including payments to Accurate Business Communications, Inc., and \$3,000.00 total for the Shoreland Restoration projects and consulting fees. K. Trepton seconded the amended motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

D. Bauer returned to the remainder of the agenda.

10. Update on Navigational Buoys on Lac La Belle & Buoy Reimbursement Grant

Commissioners reviewed the issues requiring resolution prior to completion of the buoy reimbursement grant for navigational buoys on Lac La Belle. D. Bauer stated he would determine the remainder of issues to be resolved in this matter.

11. Discuss & Act on Starry Stonewort Information

Commissioners discussed the benefits and process of placing Starry Stonewort signage at

the Lac La Belle boat launch. D. Zimmermann noted citizen responsibility would protect the lake in this matter. Signage would raise awareness among boaters of the significant issue of the invasive species, Starry Stonewort. The DNR would be contacted regarding potential signage at the launch and more information shared with Commissioners at the next meeting. D. Bauer attended a DNR meeting on Starry Stonewort with other municipal leaders. Preliminary discussions were underway with various county representatives in potentially applying for a "Clean Water Clean Boats" grant to help prevent the spread of Starry Stonewort. More information on Starry Stonewort would be shared in the Spring 2016 LLBMD newsletter.

12. Discuss & Act on Locating Replacement for Citizen Water Quality Monitoring

D. Bauer noted Lisa Conley had expressed interest in having someone take over the water quality monitoring duties on Lac La Belle in the future. K. Trepton stated she would contact L. Conley regarding the monitoring duties beginning next summer.

13. Discuss & Act on Cooperative Streambank Restoration Project Press Release

At the Annual Meeting, D. Zimmermann suggested a press release on the Cooperative Streambank Restoration project be distributed. The completed project was quite successful and provided a good example of municipalities and other governmental agencies working cooperatively on a project to benefit the lake. Village of Lac La Belle President Tim Clark had reported the basin did not overflow during heavy rainfall. There was not as much sediment going into the lake as in previous years. He asked D. Zimmermann to bring forward a concern regarding an area where the streambank crossed the fairway which made it difficult to traverse the course effectively. Golf Course owners were considering trimming the streambank area down in height. Discussion ensued. There were no issues presented with trimming the greenery along this area of the fairway. This matter would be reviewed by Village staff as well.

14. Update on LLBMD Website

S. Keefe noted lake levels had been updated since the last Commission meeting. A Commissioner Directory was distributed. Commissioner contact information to be placed on the LLBMD website was reviewed.

a. Topics for the Website

• Discussion ensued regarding placing a "boost" from the website to Facebook. K. Trepton offered to work with S. Keefe on this item.

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15. Set Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting of the Lac La Belle Management District was scheduled for February 25, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall.

L. Morgan moved to authorize the Treasurer to pay the usual and customary bills of the LLBMD through the next Commissioner meeting slated for February 25, 2016 including Shoreland Restoration invoices. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Agenda Items for Next Commissioners Meeting

The following items were suggested for the February 25, 2016 LLBMD agenda:

- Discussion and action on Starry Stonewort Signage at the boat launch
- Discussion on citizen water quality monitoring
- Update on the Golf Course Fairway project

16. Adjournment

Seeing no further business; the October 29, 2015 LLBMD Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

Minutes prepared by:

Accurate Business Communications, Inc.